

On original page 1, lines 7-8, please delete "according to the preamble of patent claim 1 or, respectively, of patent claim 10".

On amended page 2a, after line 1, as a separate line before line 2, please insert --SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION--.

5 On amended page 2a, please delete lines 4-7.

On original page 3, after line 11 and before line 12, please insert the following heading and paragraph:

~~BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS~~

10 The features of the present invention which are believed to be novel, are set forth with particularity in the appended claims. The invention, together with further objects and advantages, may best be understood by reference to the following description taken in conjunction with the accompanying drawings, in the several Figures of which like reference numerals identify like elements, and in which: ~~f.~~

15 On original page 3, please delete lines ~~12-13~~.

On original page 3, after line 19, as a separate line before line 20, please insert --DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS--.

On amended page 10, after line ~~12~~, please insert the following paragraph:

20 ~~f.~~ The invention is not limited to the particular details of the method and apparatus depicted and other modifications and applications are contemplated. Certain other changes may be made in the above described method and apparatus without departing from the true spirit and scope of the invention herein involved. It is intended, therefore, that the subject matter in
25 the above depiction shall be interpreted as illustrative and not in a limiting sense. ~~f.~~